

What is claimed is:

1. A tampon for feminine hygiene comprising an insertion end, a withdrawal end, a longitudinal axis, and an outer surface;
said tampon being comprised of compressed fibrous material;
wherein said outer surface of said tampon comprises a plurality of recessed portions, each of said recessed portions comprising a length dimension, a first side wall, and a second side wall, said first and second side walls intersecting one another to form a vertex, said first and second side walls comprising an angle (α) therebetween, said angle alpha (α) varies as measured along at least a portion of said length dimension.
2. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein said vertex is parallel with said longitudinal axis.
3. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein said plurality of vertexes are spirally shaped.
4. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein said distal vertexes are evenly spaced.
5. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein the fibrous material of said tampon has an essentially uniform density over a cross section of the tampon.
6. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein the fibrous material of said tampon has varying density over a cross-section of the tampon.
7. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein said tampon further comprises a core which is highly compressed.
8. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein said withdrawal end further comprises a withdrawal member.
9. The tampon according to Claim 1 wherein said withdrawal end further comprises a finger indent.